PS - Instead of telling me about your Quinn dreams, who don't you tell me about Fetters?

bcc: his pen-pal. She was an FBI informer when he went to see her after King was killed.

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Dear Jerry,

The tape you mailed the 20th came today. It is a nice day so I listened to it while I walked. Your record was a pretty good one. I've never heard of it. I'd like to hear it on a hifi, without some cat sneaking in and howling. Or didn't you hear that cat?

I notice you do not respond to my question, why do you start speaking of Hershaw as I have all along. I don't really care and I'm sure I'll find out if I want to. Most likely even if I do not try. You find that with some games it pays to have a scorecard.

If I remember correctly Jimmy's hearing is day after tomorrow. If anything good happens to him I'll be surprised. And pleased. The one thing I'm sure of is that Lane will get free publicity from it. When it is over you can check the scorecard. Remember I quoted it before the event.

If there are any interviews I hope they are not as hurtful as those for which I had no responsibility have all been. It is not true that Jimmy has had no publicity. It is true that I had to fight him to get him to agree to quite a bit, all good.

You say the House assassins will have Rosenson in jail. Didn't I tell you that they leaked a story that he is in a Virginia jail and called Jimmy a liar? Thought I did tell you. It was on Washington TV.

You now say you know nothing about the earlier story involving him. I remember Xmas 1973 very well and some first-rate checking by two of the best reporters, as well as some really silly court papers filed then. That was Arab stuff and you should remember it.

There is a problem about that card besides the fact that there was no LEAA then. It is that I have had a chance to read the official lost of the property taken from Jimmy when he was arrested in England or when it was turned over to the FBI, I've forgotten which. It was a while back. In any event, there is no such card on it. Several scraps from newspaper classified ads are. I remember this kind of small stuff was included then. I'd like to see a copy to see if it fits with any of the work I did, which was a fair amount in New Orleans. If it does I'll tell you. If it does not I'll tell you that, too, as I will if I see trouble for Jimmy from it. Too bad I didn't see it when I had good New Orleans police connections, including narcs, which is Rosenson's line, I think. I even had a narc-fink for a source of my own, and a very good one.

If Lane now represents the entire family you'll be well off if he becomes as straight as he has been crooked with others. I never said he lacked ability. Just that he uses it wrong for anyone but himself.

He doesn't care what he says. He depends on it not being recalled to him. It rarely is so he can get away with much. But you ought not be Hoosier enough not to realize that when you are around or when he thinks it will get back to you he says the same thing he says elsewhere. If you read anything besides the comic strips you'd know that his black pals on the assassins committee have already filed official reports saying Jimmy was guilty, and the only question is did he have help. They have gone for the Haile line, exactly the one I told you long in advance was the Jeff Cohen line, that the others are you and Stoner. So don't tell me what he says when you are around. I've been sent tapes of what he says in places that do not get back to you. What you heard him say he had to say, or didn't that dawn on you?

Haven't you tumbled yet to why Redditt was not at the Washington press conference? Not for the reason Lane gave. He went farthur, to New York, and did a TV show without Lane. It took a little time but Redditt learned, as you did not. Redditt would not talk when it could have helped Jimmy. Not that the Lane version can. It is irrelevent. I knew about him and I tried to get him to talk to us before the evidentiary hearing, as late as one of the weekends during it. I hope you all do not learn the hard way. Sincerely,